



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 448**

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**Chairperson:** Brad Ashford  
**Committee:** Judiciary  
**Date of Hearing:** February 7, 2007

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Legislative Bill 448 brings the timeframe for filing of claims under the Political Subdivision Tort Claims Act in line with the timeframe under the State Tort Claims Act, which is two years.

Under the current Political Subdivision Tort Claims Act, before a person may file a tort suit against a political subdivision, he or she must file a claim for damages within one year. After the claim is filed, a political subdivision has six months in which to act or not act on the claim. If the political subdivision chooses not to act on the claim, the injured person may withdraw the claim and file a lawsuit. All suits must be filed within two years after the claim accrues.

LB 448 proposes to extend the timeframe for filing the initial claim under the Political Subdivision Tort Claims Act from one year to two years.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Brad Ashford**